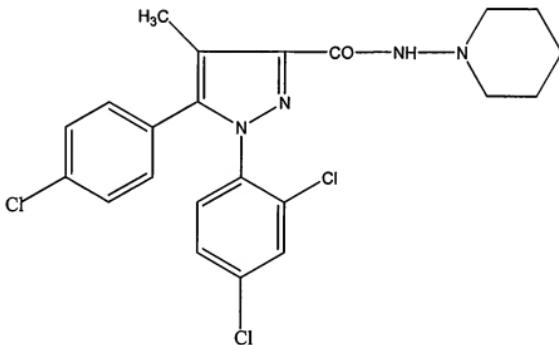


Amendments to the Specification:

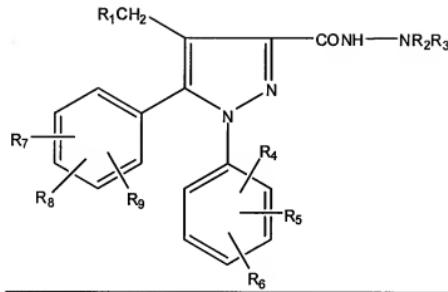
A. Please replace paragraph 241 with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] More particularly, the present invention relates to the use of N-piperidino-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-methylpyrazole-3-carboxamide, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts and their solvates for the preparation of drugs useful in the treatment of appetency disorders. This particularly preferred cannabinoid antagonist is SR-141616 and is of the formula:



B. Please replace paragraph 242 with the following amended paragraph:

[0002] Another group of exemplary cannabinoid CB1 receptor antagonists for use according to the invention are pyrazole derivatives according to Formula (I) of U.S. Patent No. 6,028,084 which is incorporated by reference in its entirety. These antagonists are of the general formula:



wherein R₁ is a fluorine, a hydroxyl, a (C₁-C₅)alkoxy, a (C₁-C₅)alkylthio, a hydroxy(C₁-C₅)alkoxy, a group -NR₁₀R₁₁, a cyano, a (C₁-C₅)alkylsulfonyl or a (C₁-C₅)alkylsulfinyl;

R₂ and R₃ are a (C₁-C₄)alkyl or, together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a saturated or unsaturated 5- to 10-membered heterocyclic radical which is unsubstituted or monosubstituted or polysubstituted by a (C₁-C₃)alkyl or by a (C₁-C₃)alkoxy;

R₄, R₅, R₆, R₇, R₈ and R₉ are each independently hydrogen, a halogen or a trifluoromethyl, and if R₁ is a fluorine, R₄, R₅, R₆, R₇, R₈ and/or R₉ can also be a fluoromethyl, with the proviso that at least one of the substituents R₄ or R₇ is other than hydrogen; and

R₁₀ and R₁₁ are each independently hydrogen or a (C₁-C₅)alkyl, or R₁₀ and R₁₁, together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a heterocyclic radical selected from pyrrolidin-1-yl, piperidin-1-yl, morpholin-4-yl and piperazin-1-yl, which is unsubstituted or substituted by a (C₁-C₄)alkyl,

and their salts and their solvates.